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**Overview****Useful For**

Aiding in the distinction between a reactive cytosis and a myeloproliferative neoplasm

**Testing Algorithm**

[The following algorithms are available in Special Instructions:](#)

[Myeloproliferative Neoplasm: A Diagnostic Approach to Bone Marrow Evaluation](#)

[Myeloproliferative Neoplasm: A Diagnostic Approach to Peripheral Blood Evaluation](#)

**Special Instructions**

- [Myeloproliferative Neoplasm: A Diagnostic Approach to Peripheral Blood Evaluation](#)
- [Myeloproliferative Neoplasm: A Diagnostic Approach to Bone Marrow Evaluation](#)
- [Hematopathology Patient Information](#)

**Method Name**

Mutation Detection in DNA using Sanger Sequencing

**NY State Available**

Yes

**Specimen****Specimen Type**

Varies

**Specimen Required**

**Submit only 1 of the following specimens:**

**Specimen Type:** Peripheral blood

**Container/Tube:** Lavender top (EDTA) or yellow top (ACD)

**Specimen Volume:** 3 mL

**Collections Instructions:**

1. Invert several times to mix blood.
2. Send specimen in original tube.
3. Label specimen as blood.

**Specimen Stability:** Ambient (preferred)/Refrigerate

**Specimen Type:** Bone marrow

**Container/Tube:** Lavender top (EDTA) or yellow top (ACD)

**Specimen Volume:** 2 mL

**Collections Instructions:**

1. Invert several times to mix bone marrow.
2. Send specimens in original tube.
3. Label specimen as bone marrow.

**Specimen Stability:** Ambient (preferred)/Refrigerate

**Specimen Type:** Extracted DNA from blood or bone marrow

**Container/Tube:** 1.5- to 2- mL tube

**Specimen Volume:** Entire specimen

**Collection Instructions:** Label specimen as extracted DNA from blood or bone marrow and provide indication of volume and concentration of DNA.

**Specimen Stability Information:** Frozen (preferred)/Refrigerated/Ambient

**Forms**

1. [Hematopathology Patient Information](#) (T676) in Special Instructions
2. If not ordering electronically, complete, print, and send a [Hematopathology/Cytogenetics Test Request](#) (T726) with the specimen.

**Specimen Minimum Volume**

Blood, Bone Marrow: 1 mL

Extracted DNA: 50 mcL at 20 ng/mcL concentration

**Reject Due To**

Gross hemolysis	Reject
Other	Bone marrow biopsies, slides, paraffin shavings, moderately to severely clotted

**Specimen Stability Information**

Specimen Type	Temperature	Time	Special Container
Varies	Varies	7 days	

**Clinical and Interpretive**

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## Clinical Information

DNA sequence mutations in exon 10 of the myeloproliferative leukemia virus oncogene (*MPL*) have been detected in approximately 5% of patients with primary myelofibrosis (PMF) and essential thrombocythemia (ET), which are hematopoietic neoplasms classified within the broad category of myeloproliferative neoplasms. *MPL* codes for a transmembrane tyrosine kinase and the most common *MPL* mutations are single base pair substitutions at codon 515. These mutations have been shown to promote constitutive, cytokine-independent activation of the JAK/STAT signaling pathway and contribute to the oncogenic phenotype. At least 8 different *MPL* exon 10 mutations have been identified in PMF and ET to date, and mutations outside of exon 10 have not yet been reported. The vast majority of *MPL* mutations have been found in specimens testing negative for the most common mutation identified in myeloproliferative neoplasms, *JAK2* V716F, although a small number of cases with both types of mutations have been reported. *MPL* mutations have not been identified in patients with polycythemia vera, chronic myelogenous leukemia, or other myeloid neoplasms.

Identification of *MPL* mutations can aid in the diagnosis of a myeloproliferative neoplasm and is highly suggestive of either PMF or ET.

## Reference Values

An interpretive report will be provided.

## Interpretation

The results will be reported as 1 of 2 states:

-Negative for *MPL* exon 10 mutation

-Positive for *MPL* exon 10 mutation

If the result is positive, a description of the mutation at the nucleotide level and the altered protein sequence is reported.

Positive mutation status is highly suggestive of a myeloproliferative neoplasm, but must be correlated with clinical and other laboratory features for a definitive diagnosis. Negative mutation status does not exclude the presence of a myeloproliferative or other neoplasm.

## Cautions

A positive result is not specific for a particular diagnosis and clinicopathologic correlation is necessary in all cases.

A negative result does not exclude the presence of a myeloproliferative or other neoplasm.

## Supportive Data

Analytical sensitivity is approximately 20%, meaning there must be about 20% of the mutated DNA in the specimen for reliable detection.

## Clinical Reference

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study of 1182 patients. Blood 2006;15:3472-3476

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## Performance

### Method Description

Genomic DNA is extracted from the blood or bone marrow sample and the *MPL* exon 10 amplified using standard PCR. The entire exon 10 sequence is obtained using Sanger sequencing with analysis on an automated genetic analyzer.(Unpublished Mayo method)

### PDF Report

No

### Day(s) and Time(s) Test Performed

Monday through Friday

### Analytic Time

5 days

### Maximum Laboratory Time

8 days

### Specimen Retention Time

DNA: 3 months

### Performing Laboratory Location

Rochester

## Fees and Codes

### Fees

- Authorized users can sign in to [Test Prices](#) for detailed fee information.
- Clients without access to Test Prices can contact [Customer Service](#) 24 hours a day, seven days a week.
- Prospective clients should contact their Regional Manager. For assistance, contact [Customer Service](#).

### Test Classification

This test was developed and its performance characteristics determined by Mayo Clinic in a manner consistent with CLIA requirements. This test has not been cleared or approved by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration.

### CPT Code Information

81403-*MPL* (myeloproliferative leukemia virus oncogene, thrombopoietin receptor, TPOR) (eg, myeloproliferative disorder), exon 10 sequence

### LOINC® Information

Test ID	Test Order Name	Order LOINC Value
MPLVS	MPL Exon 10 Mutation Detection, V	62948-5

Result ID	Test Result Name	Result LOINC Value
MP051	Specimen Type	31208-2
602600	Interpretation	69047-9
602601	Signing Pathologist	19139-5